those little brats, a very enjoyable company indeed.

Those amongst the lunatics that were somewhat in their senses and could safely be depended upon, were given to work in the gardens attached to the asylum. There was a considerable area of lands, set apart for cultivation, by the lunatics there; and the fruits and vegetables grown by them, amounted to a considerable quantity also. By and by, as I improved a little in my health, both mental and physical, they told me to keep the vegetable accounts, if it should suit my inclinations, *i.e.* to register the quantity of vegetables, that were being sent daily to different places for consumption and their respective prices, calculated at two pice per pound. I tried once or twice, but found, that my mind wandered and I could not do the work. So, I had no other go but to let the account take care of itself; and instead of bothering my head with its calculations I took to rambling about the gardens whithersoever I liked.

Though the health conditions of the place

seemed not quite satisfactory, the sea-girt isles with their hilly crests, unique in the tropical